

RONDO COMMUNITY OUTREACH BRANCH LIBRARY

461 N. Dale St., Saint Paul, MN 55103

At a Glance: 2006

Built-Remodeled	2006
Square Ft	31,343
Hours/week*	63
Days/open/week	Seven
Materials Budget	\$266,865
Collection Size	89,260
Books:	
Adult	39,307
Juvenile	34,297
Total Circulation	174,406
Adult	104,864 (60%)
Juvenile	69,542 (40%)
Circulation/FTE	16,933
Total Information	56,940
Information/Ref FTE	9,110
In-House Materials Use	36,244
FTEs Public Service*	17.5
Gate Count	244,482

Computer Workstations (Public) 70: Internet workstations: 20; Business reference with Internet: 2; Assistive technology workstation with Internet and word processing: 1; Catalog workstations: 7; Children's workstations: 8; Jobview: 1; Homework Center: 18; Electronic classroom computers: 13

Lounge chairs: 37; Study tables: 19 with 68 chairs; Study carrels: 0

*Information on hours and staff reflect system-wide changes implemented in November 2006

SERVICE PROFILE:

The Rondo Community Outreach Library serves a richly diverse population of approximately 36,000 residents with a collection of approximately 90,000 catalogued items in a 31,343 square foot building.

Located at the Dale Street and University Avenue Intersection, the library serves many persons from the African American, Cambodian, Hmong, Somali, Lao, Vietnamese, Russian, and Spanish speaking communities as well as American Indian and Caucasian residents. Rondo Community Outreach Library partners with its neighbors, LifeTrack Resources, the Ronald L. Hubbs Center for Lifelong Learning, the Hmong Cultural Center, the Vietnam Center, Neighborhood Development Center, Minnesota Literacy Council, and other members of the Saint Paul Community Literacy Consortium who offer ESL and Adult Basic Education classes to the public.

This Library plays a leading role in Outreach efforts system wide. Emphasis areas are:

- The SWAMP (School Work And Mentoring Place), the homework center providing help to students of all ages.
- The Business Resource Center, a collection of print, non-print, and electronic resources to support the needs of persons starting a small business. The Neighborhood Development Center and Goodwill Easter Seals partner with the Rondo Library to provide weekly business consultation and career counseling.
- Regular classes in the Electronic Classroom offering diverse courses such as resumé writing, word processing, Internet searching, and emailing.
- Service to Seniors through Senior Internet training and other partnerships with agencies serving seniors.

St. Paul Public Library's largest collections of GED, English as a Second Language, Citizenship Study Materials, and World Languages are located at Rondo. The branch features both Black History/Culture and Southeast Asian History/Culture collections, as well as a diverse collection reflecting the St. Paul community.